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May 2020

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ELECTION 2020

On April 7, 2020, the Town of Foxfield held a drive-through/walk-up polling place election.



Mayor

Lisa Jones

Trustees-at-Large Josie Cockrell Pam Thompson Debby Farreau

Many thanks to election judges Judee Mikulka, Kay Heimbuck and Linda Eaton, without whom this election could not have happened. Thanks to the Mikulkas for letting us use their driveway as our polling place. Thank you to Allyson Zoellner for the personalized masks she made for us. Thanks to Pam Thompson, Lisa Jones and Sharon Sager for the gloves and sanitizer that helped keep us safe.

Thank you to everyone who voted!

Memo from the Mayor

The Town held an election on April 7th to elect the Mayor and 3 Trustees at Large. Mayor Lisa Jones, Trustee Debby Farreau and Trustee Pam Thompson will be returning to the Board and we welcome new Trustee Josie Cockrell. We would like to thank outgoing Trustee Dave Goddard for his years of service and commitment to the Town.

The April 7th election this year was challenging. The fire station, where we normally hold our elections, was not available due to COVID-19. Randi worked tirelessly to make sure absentee ballots were delivered on a timely basis and to find a suitable



place to hold the election. Thanks to the Mikulka family for allowing the Town to use their driveway as our polling place. Randi and election judges, Judee Mikulka, Kay Heimbuck and Linda Eaton were extremely creative in creating a safe environment in which to vote. It was so creative that Channel 4 interviewed Randi and did a story on our election. Despite the virus, we had a 32% voter turnout which is very strong for an April election. Thank you to everyone who worked hard to make this election a success in this very difficult time.

The gate project that was scheduled to begin this spring is temporarily on hold. Karen Proctor, our Town Administrator, has provided information on the financial impact of COVID-19. Because of the uncertainty of how long there will be limitations on the Foxfield Village Center businesses and the resulting impact on our sales tax revenue, the Board decided to place the project on hold. We will monitor and re-evaluate our financial position on a monthly basis and when we deem it financially prudent, we will move forward with the gate project.

The roads were chip sealed in 2013 and 2014. SEH, the Town's engineers, have evaluated the condition of the roadways and provided us with their assessment and proposal for maintenance and resurfacing. For 2020, crack sealing, crack patching and chip sealing where necessary will be performed. We were able to piggy back on the City of Parker who will be doing their roads project in May resulting in a significant cost savings.

The COVID-19 pandemic and the resulting "stay at home" order have been difficult for everyone both emotionally and financially. The State of Colorado "Stay at Home" order expired on April 26th and is being replaced with a "Safer at Home" plan. Counties have the ability to execute stricter orders. Denver, Jefferson and Boulder Counties have already extended the Stay at Home order to May 8th. Tri-County Health has extended the "Stay at Home" order for Arapahoe and Adams County until May 8th. Foxfield's website (https://www.colorado.gov/townoffoxfield) contains links on the Home Page to State of Colorado, Arapahoe County and Tri-County Health websites which provide the most up-to-date information.

We reached out to the Town asking for volunteers who would be available to help residents in need during the pandemic. So many residents graciously volunteered to help. Fortunately, very few residents were in need of help. Thank you to all the wonderful people who volunteered and if anyone needs help, please do not hesitate to reach out. Please contact Debby Farreau, Josie Cockrell or myself.

Weed season is upon us and just a reminder that residents are responsible for keeping the weeds on their properties under control. State law requires that noxious weeds be controlled. If the weeds are allowed to go to seed they will spread to the surrounding properties. So please, at a minimum, mow. The list of noxious weeds that must be controlled is available on our website.

As you might imagine, businesses are struggling and many will not survive this pandemic. If at all possible, please support the businesses in the Foxfield Village Center. Sales tax is our main source of revenue.

Stay well everyone.

Arapahoe County Sheriff's Office

A Stage 1 Burn Ban is in effect in Foxfield until further notice:

- No open burning of any kind without a permit from South Metro Fire
- No use of fireworks

Exemptions:

- Fires contained within liquid fueled or gas stoves, fireplaces and wood burning stoves/fireplaces within habitable buildings.
- Propane/LP/Natural Gas fueled barbecue grills used for cooking or warming food, which do not produce or emit sparks or embers when used.
- Charcoal fueled grills and pits used for cooking or warming food, which do not produce or emit sparks or embers when used.
- Fire set by any federal, state, or local officer, or member of a fire protection district in the performance of an official duty.
- Residential use of charcoal grills, Tiki torches, chimineas or other portable fireplaces or patio fire pits where allowed by code. Fires must be supervised by a responsible person of at least 18 years of age.
- Small recreational fires at developed picnic or campground sites contained in fixed permanent metal/steel fire pits (rock fire rings are considered temporary and not permanent) with flame lengths not in excess of four feet.

COVID-19 QUESTIONS? Call 2-1-1

Do you have questions about the COVID-19 pandemic? Not sure where to turn? **Call 2-1-1**.

Operators will help you with all your COVID-19 needs -- from getting help to finding food, paying your housing bills and much more, including translation services.



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NOTES FROM THE ADMINISTRATOR'S DESK Karen Proctor

COVID-19 Economic Outlook

As this pandemic continues, we are working to assess the Town of Foxfield's financial condition and formulating a plan on how to respond to the financial impacts the Town may experience. The Town is watching the situation closely and is discussing various scenarios, but we will not know the real impact until summer.

At this time, we focused mainly on the Town's two (2) largest sources of revenue, sales tax and property tax (89% of total revenue). All the property tax revenue (4.982 mills) the Town receives goes to pay the Arapahoe County Sheriff. Therefore, the Town's main source of revenue is sales tax. We compared five (5) different possible scenarios looking at 25-75% decreases in revenue.

The 2020 budget anticipated a 2019 General Fund ending balance of \$901,980, but the actual ending balance was \$929,820. Therefore, the General Fund began 2020 in a better position than anticipated. In addition, the Town of Foxfield has already received \$137,029 of sales tax revenue in January through March 2020. This is 43% of budget with only 25% of the year completed. Current property tax revenue the Town has received is in line with receipts of previous years and the budget.

Based on the anticipated decrease in revenue, the Board is postponing the gate project (\$150,000) at this time. Also, we are anticipating a \$35,000 savings on the 2020 road maintenance expense.

The ending General Fund balance, in each scenario, is projected to be higher than was budgeted. We will continue to monitor the situation and make sure the Town can react appropriately as needed. The good news is that the Town of Foxfield is currently in good shape financially.



You can help by supporting Foxfield businesses!

Clerk's Corner

It's weed season again. The Town will be mowing the rights-of-way (ROW) along the roads but each resident is responsible for weed control in their ROW. The Town will not be spraying for weeds this year.



Remember that noxious weeds, whether in the ROW or on your property, must be eradicated or controlled. You can find a list and pictures of these on the Town website:

https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/townoffoxfield/weed-management

The Town has installed three dog waste stations:



- Richfield and Davies
- Richfield and Hinsdale
- Easter and Yampa

Please pick up after your dog and dispose of the closed bag in the attached trash containers. Please do not leave any dog waste in the right-of-way, on the roads or on private property.

Code Enforcement

Foxfield is governed by a Municipal Code, a document that sets out all the ordinances, the laws that have been enacted by the Town of Foxfield. The Code is posted on the website at this link:

https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/townoffoxfield/municipal-code-7

The Town employs a Code Enforcement Officer who patrols the Town on a regular basis to ensure Codes are being followed. The goal of the Code Enforcement program is compliance, not punishment.

If you would like to report a potential Municipal Code violation, there is a form you can use on the Town website home page:

https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/townoffoxfield

Scroll down to *How Do I* on the left side, then click on Report. The report will be investigated and appropriate action taken.

Just remember to be kind, that we all want the Town of Foxfield to be a great place to live and we can work together to make that happen.

Meet and Greet / Fireside Chats

During this surreal time of uncertainty and social distancing let's change open houses and help keep you and our community safe.

The goal is to facilitate two-way conversation, answer questions and provide an opportunity to put a face to a name. To me, two-way communication is essential as a member of the Board and is key to a cohesive community. These chats will hopefully also help me refocus and/or confirm that I am representing your various points-of-view of you, our Foxfield residents, in a nonpartisan manner.

Please call or email with your availability.

I can stop by for 5 minutes, or stay as long as you'd like, with a front porch visit, complete with proper social distancing!

The most important action is first and foremost your personal comfort, safety and welfare.

You and your voice are still important!

Your Board of Trustees stands by ready to assist you.

Be well, Pam Thompson Trustee At Large

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MARKET UPDATE

Will the housing market feel lasting effects from the coronavirus restrictions enacted recently? The National Association of Realtors and the Mortgage Bankers Association both anticipate a sudden rebound in economic activity and no lasting effects on home prices. Consensus among housing analysts is that home sales will restart quickly, pushed along by the tailwind of low mortgage rates and delayed demand from all those buyers who had to sit out the

start of the spring season.
"It's like hitting the pause button, says Mike DelPrete, scholar-in-residence at UC Boulder. "When you resume and hit play, we'll pick up where we left off."



Tribute to Gene Rolfson by Kumu and Ganesh Kuppuswamy

Charles Eu**gene** Rolfson, 78, of Foxfield, passed away April 10, 2020, at the Porter Hospice Residential in Centennial.

We met Gene Rolfson eight years ago when we moved into Foxfield and over the last few years, we became good friends.

Gene was always warm and welcoming. We felt at home any time we visited them. Gene was well known for his kindness and helpful nature in the Town of Foxfield. Kids had a freedom to help themselves to popsicles from their refrigerator during summer months. He enjoyed feeding and taking care of his horses, birds, squirrels, and his lovable cat who enjoyed lying on his lap.

Gene was exceptionally handy and helped us and others around him with fixing a wide variety of things, including mowers, minor car issues, etc.

Gene loved outdoors, most of the time he was working on his outdoor projects and/or helping someone in Foxfield. A couple of years ago, one of the 4th of July parade cars got stuck. Gene saw her struggle and right away offered to help and towed her car back to her house. There were many people in the parade and people who were watching, but Gene was the first to offer help.

Gene loved his horses, Smoky and Rowdy. I too am a horse lover and fell in love with his horses. Initially, I was a bit nervous to go to their property to pet them. When Gene found out how much I liked them, he gave me all the freedom in the world for me to play with them anytime of the day. I don't know if I will ever meet a person who possessed such a caring and sharing nature like Gene.

Gene had a great sense of humor; he would always be kidding with us. He always teased that I spent more time with his horses than with my husband.

Gene's nurturing nature will be a big loss for Town of Foxfield. He paved a path to show how one should be an example to help others. No one can replace Gene's amazing personality and he will be dearly missed by our family.

Gene moved to Denver from Julesburg, CO over 60 years ago looking for job opportunities. Gene built a career in construction that spanned more than 50 years. Many times, we would go to lunch or dinner somewhere and he would proudly point out the buildings where he was involved in the construction. Gene, Yanch and Karri moved to Foxfield in 1980. Gene and his crew built the house and the barn.

Gene was very devoted to friends and family; he would always go to all his grandkids' swim meets and baseball games. Survivors include wife Yanch Rolfson, daughter Karri Miller, son-in-law Mike Miller, and grand-children Taylor and Charlie.

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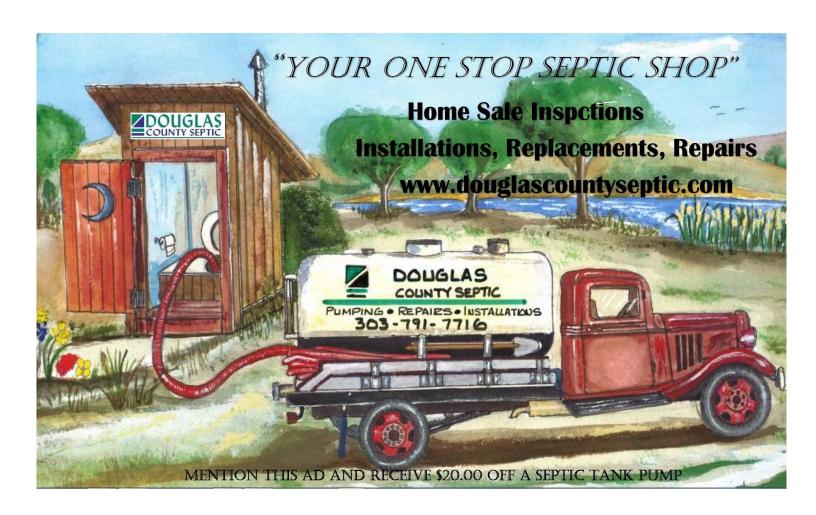
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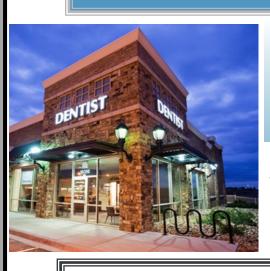
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Monday, May 25 — Memorial Day

Saturday, June 13 — Clean-Up Day

Sunday, June 21 — Father's Day

Saturday, July 4 — Independence Day

Clean-Up Day - June 13, 2020 8:00 am to 1:00 pm

Behind the Fire Station along E. Easter Way

Wood chipping and scrap metal collection

Please cut and bundle tree branches as compactly as possible to leave room in the roll-offs for everyone

The following items may **not** be disposed of in the dumpsters: Hazardous waste, including appliances, refrigerators, microwaves, TVs, computers, A/C units; herbicides, asbestos, pesticides, chemicals, toxic or flammable materials such as paint, oil, fuel, gasoline cans, aerosol cans, propane containers, lawn mowers, tires.



Limited amounts of heavy items such as sod, concrete, rock and dirt will be allowed.



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Once they have been approved by the Board at a subsequent meeting, they will be posted on the Town website at colorado.gov/townoffoxfield.

Click on Government > Meetings

then scroll down to Meeting Minutes.

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